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| 4.00 "                                   | 8.10 "     |
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| KOWLOON                | 9.25  |
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REMARKABLE SCENES IN TRAFALGAR SQUARE, LONDON.

The filmed version of Sir Hall Caine's novel "The Christian" is now complete, and is to be released shortly. Our readers may be interested in the following graphic description of certain episodes in the film (as narrated in the London Evening News), in which Trafalgar Square provides the setting for impressive scenes in the story. With full display headings the Evening News described the incidents in the following story:

Trafalgar Square in the early hours of this morning presented a scene which has never been equalled in history. From one o'clock until dawn it was lit up by a fantastic bluish light, which made the falling rain look like snow, and threw gash shadows over a mob of some 2,000 people. This nightmare scene had been conjured up by the enterprise of an American film producer who evolved the idea of staging the most dramatic episode of his film in one of the most famous spots of the world. Mr. Maurice Tourneur, in London producing a film version of "The Christian," for the Goldwyn Company of America. His suggestion that he should use Trafalgar Square as a studio staggered the authorities with its audacity. They do things differently over the water. In America a cinema producer can borrow a Government battleship, or film a meeting of legislators for a screen play; but here the official eye still looks askance at the moving-picture actor. Full permission, however, was eventually obtained not only to turn Trafalgar Square into a giant film studio, but also to take scenes in Whitehall, in the shadow of Big Ben, and on Westminster Bridge.

The incidents in the story for which Trafalgar Square was destined are those in which John Storm, the clergyman-hero of the book, tries to pacify a crowd of people who are waiting for the end of the world they believe him to have predicted. He succeeds in persuading them that he has been misrepresented, when a gang of ruffians, hired by the villain of the piece, incites the mob to attack the plinth and chase Storm out of London. Twenty spotlights and spot lights were needed to flood Trafalgar Square with light sufficient to enable photographs to be taken. They were placed on the National Gallery balcony, and in various parts of the Square. Even the Admiralty Arch had its battery of lights to illuminate the background which included Big Ben. The air was full of the throbbing of lorries with motor-generators to make the electric light. Ten film cameras were placed to give a variety of angles to obtain different views of the action. A staff of nearly 100 cameramen, electricians, and assistant producers was engaged. Elaborate plans like those of a general before a battle had been made for the handling of the giant crowd of "supers." They were divided up into sections of 25 people, controlled by a leader and assistant. The leaders were shown a marked plan of Trafalgar Square, and rehearsed in their parts beforehand. These detailed plans called for no interference from curious passers-by; but hundreds of people who had not been engaged furtively mingled themselves with the crowd. Men and women in evening dress stayed on their way home to watch the unaccustomed sight.

It was a good-humoured crowd which got a good deal of fun out of its four hours' job in the rain. The police authorities supplied a special body of constables to help. These became mixed up with the film policemen with amusing results. "Don't touch that one. It's real," said a young woman from the East End to her escort who slapped a policeman familiarly on the back. And none but the "policemen" know whether it was so or not. It was the most "ugly" mob I have ever seen—ever on "the pictures" wrote the journalist of the scene. A cloth-capped mob with broken noses and bruised faces were accompanied by women in the gay finery of the East End "Fainting women" were filmed, and there was a special scene for a number of little kiddies who were thoughtfully cared for at the company's offices in Charing Cross Road until their "call" came. The mobbing scene had to be done four times before Mr. Tourneur was satisfied. "Listen, folks," he shouted through a megaphone in his French-American accent. "There was too much waving of hands in that 'take.' I only want the leaders to do that. Now let's have some pep and go in it." A Klaxon horn stationed at the National Gallery, made the night hideous with its signal, and 80 arc-lights flickered into blinding brilliancy. A series of signals of whistles, and Mr. Tourneur's voice could be heard above the confusion. "Come on! Here's your man! Seize him! Come on! More of you. Close up. Here he is! Take him off. Hysteria! Now let him go!" They let him go, and Mr. Richard Dix, the unfortunate actor of the hero's part, was very realistically relieved as he clambered on to the plinth to defend himself. His figure was tiny against the huge base of the column. "One cheer!" ordered the producer at a certain part of the speech. They cheered, and Nelson might have thought the Victory had got another round of shot home. "One more cheer! Now look! All turn round! See the men getting out of the cab. They are clambering over the balcony. What do they want? Run towards them. Make way for them. Now, fifty-sixty of you—up on the plinth and defy him down! Come on! Bring him towards the camera! Lift his face up! I can't see his face! Lift it up!"

So it went on for four times; this Frenchman shouting frenzied instructions in broken English with an American accent. He was oblivious of the rain that streamed down his face and hands. It was a marvel that no one was hurt, and a tribute to the perfection of the plans made beforehand. The scene was nearly swept off my base of the "roughs" buried poor Mr. Dix out of the camera's range. "This is like the real thing," he exclaimed after we had bumped together. "I wouldn't like to be doing this if it wasn't for the leaders. Two fellows caught me by the ribs that time, but the leaders calmed them down a bit. They are wonderful, you know. We couldn't get them to work like this in America. I've got to live this part for the moment, to look after myself." Now, where's Mr. Dix? Mr. Dix will do that once again to make sure. It was the voice of Mr. Tourneur again, standing like a new statue with megaphone in hand on the edge of one of the fountain basins, a bluish halo round his figure and rain pouring off his clothes.

## KENYA SETTLERS AND INDIAN CLAIMS. GOVERNMENT DEFIED.

An important meeting of Europeans has been held at Nakuru, which is the centre of the white settlements in the Highlands. The speakers included Lord Delamere and Lord Francis Scott. Lord Delamere said he did not think the Governor would force through any Bill, even if ordered to do so by the Colonial Office, until the districts had been given a chance to state their opinions. Steps were taken at the meeting to organize the districts' appoint district leaders, and establish a Central Committee to act in the closest touch with Nairobi.

The resolutions passed stated that in the event of the Government of the Colony according to the Indian claims the white community would, take such action as was considered proper and necessary to prevent such legislation taking practical effect. It was also resolved that any action taken shall be such as will solve decisively the Indian problem, shall be complete in its nature and effect, and by the thoroughness indicate in the clearest manner that the Europeans not only decline to be made a pawn in the game of Indian politics, but in internal politics refuse to be dictated to and overruled by those in London who are ignorant or indifferent to local conditions.

It was declared that such action as will be taken will be persuasive in character as far as possible, physical pressure only being resorted to as far as may be required to show that the persuasion being exerted is intended to be acted upon. The committees to be formed will formulate a plan designed to carry out the policy of the resolutions, and Europeans, under a clause of one resolution, bind themselves to support the Central Committee in any steps considered necessary, and to obey all instructions.

The Nakuru meeting also passed a resolution against the continuance in office of Mr. Ormsby-Gore as Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies.

## KING DAVID'S PALACE. HOPES OF FINDING TOMBS OF JUDAH'S KINGS.

The remarkable find by Lord Carnarvon at Luxor has given a stimulus to the interest in the forthcoming project to find not only the actual site of King David's palace at Jerusalem, but the actual tomb of the king himself.

Dr. E. W. G. Masterman, hon. secretary of the Palestine Exploration Fund, in an interview speaks hopefully of the outlook. Much has been done in the past, he said, and some valuable discoveries have been made, but work has necessarily been of a more or less scattered character. A great deal of the work has fallen upon the British pioneers, who have already made notable progress there.

The proposal now is that no one nation should have the exclusive rights, but that various nations should unite to carry on this great work. Great Britain will be represented, for instance, by the Palestine Exploration Fund, France by the Dominican Monks, and America by the American School of Archaeology. Among the others co-operating will be the Jewish Society, with whose activities Lord Rothschild is associated, and for which Mr. Weill had been doing some excavation work which was stopped by the war.

Our great ambition is to send out Professor Robert Macalister this summer to undertake the British side of the work. Before anything is allowed to be done, the Palestine Government insists upon a guarantee of a minimum of £5,000. As the excavation will last for at least three years, I am anxious that the British should find this £5,000; the two other main bodies raising like sums, so that the work may go forward without a hitch.

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## PRINCE "COUNTED OUT."

AMUSING INCIDENT WITH "DIGGERS" NEAR CAIRO.

The Prince of Wales's visit to the Australia-day reception at Australia House recently was the occasion for meeting a number of "diggers" whom he encountered during the war, and particularly during his visit to Egypt. His Royal Highness's happy day with them during his visit to the Commonwealth secured him many fast friendships, but the foundation of the Australians' great affection for the Prince was undoubtedly laid during the war.

Many incidents, humorous and otherwise, happened to cement that friendship, and one of the first-named category occurred outside Cairo when there was "little doing" in the fighting-line. With his equerry A.D.C., his Royal Highness rode by a party of "diggers," who came smartly to the salute. Attracted momentarily by something in an opposite direction, the Prince did not see the group and no sooner had he passed than his attention was attracted by the sonorous chanting of "One, two, three, four, five six, seven, eight, nine, out." He inquired what it meant, and was informed that he had been saluted, but had not acknowledged the compliment, and in the "diggers" way had been "counted out." In other words, they had decided that for the future when off parade they would not salute the Prince as an officer.

Without any hesitation, the Prince wheeled his horse round and rode to the group of men, saluted them, and had a long chat.

On leaving he was greeted with the same sonorous chant with the numbers in reverse order: "Ten, nine, eight, seven, six, five, four, three, two, in." Ever afterwards the Prince was a most popular figure in the "diggers' camp and was voted a "good fellow."

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LIFE.  
AMBITION CHINESE AND  
RUSSIAN PRINCESS.  
STRANGER THAN FICTION STORY  
FROM HARBIN.

The following story is related in the  
Peking and Tientsin Times by a corres-  
pondent at Harbin:

"Progress is a keen sword, and with it  
I shall show my way to great fame." Thus  
spoke Wu Te-fu, son of a rich Chinaman  
in Harbin. The father, accumulated his  
fortune in dealings with big Russian firms.  
Wu therefore was almost in constant con-  
tact with these people of a white race,  
many of whom showed him marked atten-  
tion. He played only with his father's  
children, and pleaded with his father to  
send him to school with his playmates. At  
school he wore only European clothes,  
where with a complexion that was almost  
fair, and the addition of large horn rimmed  
glasses, he was frequently taken for a  
Russian.

As he grew to manhood, he adopted the  
name given him by his fellow pupils, Ivan  
Petrovich, identified himself with the games,  
the pursuits and the ambitions of his chosen  
associates. He cut himself off from as-  
sociation with the Chinese, fitted a foreign  
house for his occupancy, employed Russian  
servants. Chinese food was not served on  
his table. Another of Ivan Petrovich's  
aphorisms was, "tradition has bound the  
hands of China, as thoroughly as customs  
has bound the feet of its women." So be-  
lieving, he determined to further renounce  
the observances of his home land.

In pursuance of that intention he sought  
among his friends for a wife. Dining one  
day at a Russian restaurant, he was served  
by a waitress, who was blonde, petite,  
gently spoken, with an unmistakable air of  
breeding. For Ivan Petrovich it was a case  
of love at first sight. He resolved to win  
her and began by paying her those re-  
spectful attentions that mark the way of  
a man with a maid, especially the one he  
hopes to install in his home. The woman  
was diffident, but all of his advances were  
so marked with delicacy and restraint,  
that she thawed to the extent of accepting  
gifts of flowers, books and candies.

He learned that she was a princess, one  
of the many refugees from the revolution,  
born and reared in the purple, but now like  
others of her class, engaged in menial  
occupations. This knowledge added fuel to  
the flame of his desire, for aside from her  
loveliness, he reasoned that she was  
specially fitted to walk beside him in his  
adopted surroundings, and to mother the  
children who would carry out his design of  
western culture and western ideals among  
his tradition circumscribed countrymen.

Encouraged by what he believed a grow-  
ing favour in her eyes, by her approval of  
his ambition, and moved by the intensity  
of his nature, which flowered to its utmost  
in his love, he asked her to become his  
wife. She was genuinely sorry that he had  
mistaken for something deeper the friend-  
ship she had extended because of her  
loneliness and his gentility. She told  
him with tears in her eyes of her regret,  
and confided that she was already married,  
that her husband had been recently  
released from a Bolshevik prison and would  
join her in a few weeks. She was looking  
forward to having him meet and become a  
friend of her husband, and hoped that  
what had arisen would not make a change  
in the pleasant relations that had existed.

To a fervent, vehement, idealistic  
temperament such as that of Ivan  
Petrovich, facing life with all of his hap-  
piness suddenly destroyed was unbearable.  
He bade good bye, but instead of going  
to his foreign home and its comforts,  
sought out the lowest Chinese dive he  
could find, where he began a debauch con-  
tinued until he was a physical wreck.  
Coming out from the fumes of opium one  
day last week he sent the woman a note,  
asking forgiveness for any unhappiness he  
had caused, after which he took enough  
poison to kill several strong men. He  
had tried to change the current that runs  
"East is East, and West is West, and  
never the two shall meet" and failing, chose  
oblivion.

Wu Te-fu was buried in accordance  
with Chinese rites, with food, imitation  
money, days of music and every other  
observance prescribed for that ceremony.

SIBERIA'S GOLD AND  
PLATINUM FIELDS.

THE PROPERTIES NOW OPEN FOR  
PRIVATE EXPLOITATION.

A Vladivostok message circulated by  
Reuters Agency says:—  
The order, issued some time ago, that  
all gold and platinum fields in the Ural,  
Siberia and the Far Eastern Provinces  
were national property, has now been  
repealed and the properties are now open  
for private exploitation, with the excep-  
tion of the Lena Goldfields and the Ural  
Platina, which remain State property.

An order has been issued permitting the  
import of all mining machinery free of  
duty, provided that it is imported by the  
mining concern itself and not by middle-  
men or local retailers. All Customs  
duties paid on such machinery since 1921  
will be refunded by the Government.

The reconstruction of the large railway  
bridge over the Amur River near  
Habarovsk will commence in the spring.

It is reported that the Japanese firm  
Mitsubishi has proposed to the Russian  
Government, through the authorities at  
Vladivostok, the formation of a large  
company for the exploitation of coal in  
Russian Saghalien.

The Russian authorities announce that  
they are prepared to lease the Russian  
codfish grounds, which extend from Peter  
the Great Gulf to Kamchatka and cover  
an area of 7,000 square miles.

TRADING WITH THE RUSSIAN FAR EAST.  
In order to facilitate trading between  
Soviet Russia and the Russian Far East,  
a new law has been promulgated concern-  
ing the transfer of money from the Rus-  
sian Far East to Soviet Russia. If  
the transfer is made on the gold  
rouble basis, the receiver will be paid in  
Soviet roubles at the commercial rate of  
the day, and not at the Government rate  
as hitherto. In this connection it must  
be remembered that Soviet currency is  
not in circulation in the Russian Far  
East where all monetary transactions are  
carried out in foreign currency (usually  
Japanese) at the equivalent rate of ex-  
change for a gold Russian rouble.

(Continued at foot of next column.)

RUSSIAN BONDS AND RE-  
ORGANIZATION LOAN  
OF 1913.

## AN AUTHENTICATIVE STATEMENT.

The following statement relative to the  
Russian Bonds of the Re-organization  
Loan of 1913 has been furnished to Reuters  
Agency for circulation:—

The Note, communicated by the Rosta  
News Agency, and appearing in the  
Peking papers of Feb. 23rd and 24th as  
a protest of the "Russian Mission against  
the Chinese action on the Re-organization  
loan bonds," has occasioned inquiry as  
to the purpose of the Chinese Government  
action, regarding the Russian bonds of  
the Re-organization Loan. It seems  
desirable to furnish the public with some  
information on the subject.

By an agreement dated April 6th, 1913  
with  
The Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.  
The Deutsch Asiatische Bank.  
The Banque de l'Indo-Chine.  
The Russo-Asiatic Bank.  
The Yokohama Specie Bank.

The Chinese Government authorized  
these banks to issue, for its account, a  
loan of \$25,000,000 under the name of  
Chinese Government, 5 per cent. Re-  
organization Gold Loan of 1913.

Out of the total amount of \$25,000,000  
one fifth (1/5th), say \$5,000,000 equi-  
valent to 250,000 bonds of \$20 was  
assigned to the Russo-Asiatic Bank.

The Russo-Asiatic Bank has transferred  
part of its right, to the other issuing  
banks in England, France and Germany  
and to a Belgian group represented by  
the "Societe Generale de Belgique."

The residuary parts amount to \$20,000,000  
leaving to the Russian group \$4,116,000.  
Therefore the bonds of the Russian Issue  
have been apportioned as follows:—

|         |           |
|---------|-----------|
| England | £ 17,262  |
| France  | 17,262    |
| Belgium | 69,444    |
| Germany | 7,143     |
| Russia  | 138,888   |
|         | \$250,000 |

The loan was issued in Paris, London,  
Brussels, Berlin and Petrograd on the  
21st, 22nd and 23rd May, 1913, and  
subscribers received from each issuing  
bank provisional certificates with two  
coupons attached, these certificates being  
exchangeable only in the country in which  
they were issued.

The exchange of the provisional  
certificates of the Russian Issue has been  
fully made as far as the residuary parts  
(i.e., British, French, Belgian and  
German) are concerned.

On the contrary, the exchange of the  
provisional certificates of the part issued  
in Russia has been only partly made.

It appears indeed from a London  
Russian paper ordered from a London  
engraver were not, on account of the war,  
ready for delivery before the beginning  
of August, 1915.

The exchange of the certificates was  
immediately undertaken and carried on  
between that date and December 1917,  
most of the certificates of subscribers  
residing in Russia being delivered.

On the other hand, a large number  
of certificates belonging to foreign  
subscribers, mostly French, Dutch, Belgian  
and Swiss, were not presented for  
exchange on account of the war, most of  
the holders being in territories occupied  
by the Germans or unwilling to pay heavy  
insurances to mail their certificates to  
Petrograd.

In 1917 the Bolshevik revolution broke  
out and the banks being nationalized by  
a decree of December 27th all properties  
in their hands were seized, and therefore  
all the undelivered bonds of the Russian  
issue of the Re-organization Loan, which  
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At first it was believed "that the  
Moscow Government had no intention to  
appropriate for its own use the bonds  
kept in the banks for account of private  
individuals and it seems that this was  
true until 1919, after which it appeared  
that Bolshevik agents were attempting to  
sell such bonds on various foreign  
markets.

The foreign owners began to lodge  
protest with their respective Governments  
and from August 1919 these Governments  
viz., the Dutch, Swiss, French and  
Belgian, requested the Chinese Govern-  
ment to take measures (1) to stop payment  
of the coupons of the Russian issue unless  
the holders could prove their right of  
ownership (2) to assure payment of  
interest to holders of provisional  
certificates.

After prolonged effort to find a way  
out of the difficulty, the Chinese  
Government issued the advertisement  
referred to in the Note of the Soviet  
Mission.

It will be seen from the foregoing  
explanation that the measures undertaken  
by the Chinese Government were directed  
to the protection of foreign certificate-  
holders who are considered by their  
Governments as the rightful owners of  
the undelivered bonds seized by the  
Soviets and partly sold by them on  
foreign markets.

The owners of bonds already delivered  
kept in safe custody in various banks in  
Russia, have, when aware of the number  
of their bonds, given the usual notice to  
the foreign banks in order to stop  
negotiation of such bonds or coupons  
pertaining to them.

The Russian Government has not been  
a party to the Re-organization Loan  
Agreement which concerns only the  
Chinese Government which has guaran-  
teed the Customs and Salt Revenues as  
security for the loan.

It is alone responsible to the bondholders.

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AN EXPENSIVE VOYAGE  
GRAVE SHOCK ON RECEIVING THE  
BILL.

At the meeting of the Legislative  
Council of the Straits Settlements last  
week:—

The Treasurer, in moving that the  
Council approve of a special vote of  
\$363,550.30, being the net loss incurred  
in the divergence of the steamer Marana  
in February, 1919 from New Zealand for  
the conveyance of passengers from  
Singapore to the United Kingdom,  
observed that most of them had heard of  
the trials and tribulations of that  
particular voyage from their own or other  
people's sisters or wives or aunts. There-  
fore, he could scarcely expect the motion  
would be accepted by acclamation, by the  
Council. All of them would remember  
the grave difficulties encountered soon  
after the armistice in getting European  
women and children home to Europe.  
There had been an embargo on women  
and children in force for a very long  
period before the armistice and they all  
wanted to go immediately the embargo  
was removed and most of them physically  
required to go. Accommodation offering  
was absolutely inadequate and was made  
more inadequate with the requisitioning  
of certain passenger ships by the  
Admiralty. The Government under the  
circumstances telegraphed to the Secretary  
of State to relieve the situation. The  
situation was relieved by the diversion of  
the transport Marana to this port. The  
conditions of her diversion were that such  
expenses of the voyage as were not  
covered by the fares should be borne  
by Malaya. The fares were suggested by  
the Admiralty and the Admiralty rates  
were accepted by the Government. He  
was told by those who travelled home by  
the Marana that the fares were high in  
view of the services rendered. Those of  
them who knew anything about fares  
knew that they would not come to any-  
thing like the expenses of the voyage, but  
he and the unofficial members of Council  
had a very grave shock when they  
learned they were short of the expenses  
by \$42,000; in fact, by exactly the amount  
set out in the motion. The Govern-  
ment of Malaya were committed to bear  
the expenses and the unofficial members  
only wished to know whether anybody at  
home had on their account investigated  
the accounts to see if they were right.  
The Government had telegraphed to the  
Secretary of State on that point and  
had received in reply a telegram that the  
Board of Trade certificate showed the  
accounts with departmental records. They  
could not go beyond that and Malaya  
would have to bear it. Reimbursements  
would have to be made to the Colony by  
the various Governments of Malaya, but  
the Colony would have to pay it in the  
first instance.

Mr. THORNTON inquired if the amount to  
be voted included the reconditioning of  
the ship.

The COLONIAL SECRETARY: It must.  
Undoubtedly it does.

The TREASURER: I have the accounts  
here and they will be circulated.

Mr. Wolff seconded the motion of the  
Treasurer.

After some discussion payment was  
sanctioned.

A great increase in Great Britain's ex-  
port trade in coal is disclosed by the  
figures for last year. The total quantity  
shipped abroad was 64,198,384 tons, com-  
pared with 24,680,552 tons in 1921, and  
73,400,118 tons in 1913.

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after landing.

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Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after  
the 9th inst., at Noon, will be subject to rest  
and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before  
the 10th inst., or they will not be recognized.  
All damaged packages will be examined on  
Friday, the 9th inst., at 10 a.m., by Messrs.  
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R. BODENFUSER,  
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1923.

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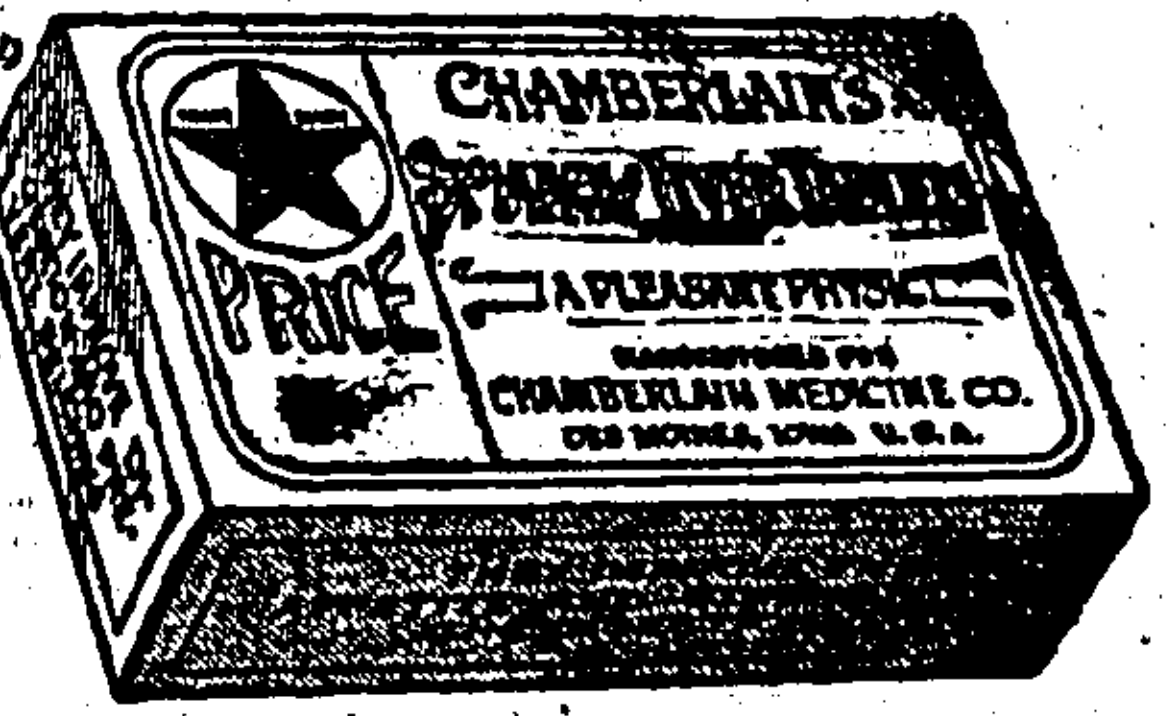
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## COMPANIES (WINDING UP).

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ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

IN THE MATTER OF COMPANIES  
ORDINANCE, 1911-1921.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CHINA SPECIE  
BANK, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that by  
an Order made by His Honour Sir  
William Rees Davies, K.C., Chief Justice, in the  
above matter dated the 5th day of March,  
1923, it was ordered that the CHINA  
SPECIE BANK, LIMITED, be wound up by this  
Court under the provisions of the Companies  
Ordinances of Hongkong, 1911-1921, and that  
the Official Receiver be appointed Provisional  
Liquidator of the Company and that JOHN  
HENNERTY SMITH, of Victoria, Hongkong, afore-  
said, Incorporated Accountant, be continued as  
Special Manager of the Company until the  
further order of the Court subject to the  
approval of the Official Receiver.

NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN that  
the First Meeting of Creditors of the Company  
will be held at the Official Receiver's Office at  
the Courts of Justice, Victoria, aforesaid, on the  
23rd day of MARCH, 1923, at 11 A.M., and on the  
same place on the same day at 11.30 A.M.  
Dated this 6th day of March, 1923.

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## MACAO NOTES.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

### STATISTICS.

The Government of Macao is so anxious to see expansion in Macao's trade that the merchants believe that they can now count upon the Government's support of many measures which require reform. First and foremost, the merchants are desirous of seeing statistics of imports and exports as well as of the volume of business in each industry of Macao, so that, with figures of the relative positions of each line, they may be able to use their judgment as to which business may be engaged in with hopes of success.

**PROTECTION WANTED FOR RETAILERS.**  
 Retail merchants in Macao enjoy very little protection and have little legal redress for delinquent debtors. Government's attention is called to this matter. It is felt that the old law relating to business is no longer applicable to modern commercial methods and the Macao Government would do well to give its attention to this subject and appoint a Commission of inquiry comprising the Colony's principal lawyers and merchants to investigate the Macao Ordinances relating to business.

**THE PORTUGUESE COMMUNITIES.**  
 Dr. Rodrigo Rodrigues, Governor of Macao, is anxious to preserve and foster the good relations existing between Macao and the Portuguese communities in Hongkong, Shanghai and Canton. Dr. Rodrigues believes that the erection of suitable buildings in each of the ports to house the Consulate and Club will serve to do much to foster this spirit of mutual helpfulness.

**SPORTS.**  
 Football continues to be the attraction in the line of sports in Macao. No less than five teams exist, and meet regularly. With the hot weather coming it is to be hoped that interest might be created in some other kind of sport. A few young men intend organizing a competition in target shooting and a keen interest is anticipated.

**THE RUINS OF ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.**  
 Many years ago money was collected to rebuild the Church of St. Paul, but the sum raised was insufficient. The facade is well known and yet is still only referred to as the "Ruins of St. Paul's Church." Now that the Government is in a strong financial position it is suggested that it may be persuaded to make up the deficiency so that the work of reconstruction may be undertaken. In this modern age when development is displacing old-time relics, it is felt that unless something is done soon, this fine specimen of architecture, three centuries old, will be swept away in the march of progress.

## THE BISHOP OF MACAO.

**PRESENTATION BY A CONGREGATION AT SINGAPORE.**  
 There was a very large congregation at the Church of St. Joseph, Singapore, last week, for confirmation administered by the Rev. Dom José da Costa Nunes, Bishop of Macao. The mass over, confirmation was commenced, an unusually large number—over 500 people in all—receiving.

After the service the Bishop sat at the portico of the Church, where the following illuminated address printed on exquisite silk was read by Mr. Simon C. de Souza on behalf of the congregation:—  
 "We, the parishioners of the Church of St. Joseph, Singapore, belonging to the Portuguese Mission under the Diocese of Macao, beg to extend to your Lordship our heartiest welcome on this your first pastoral visit."

"Your elevation to the high and responsible office has been of greatest gratification to us, and we beg to express the hope that your sojourn amongst us may be both a pleasant and memorable one for your Lordship as it will undoubtedly be for us, during which our congregation shall ingratiate themselves as true children of the church."

"Never shall we forget the fatherly interest evinced in the welfare of this portion of his flock by our late lamented Bishop Dom José Paulino d'Almeida Castro. To his untiring efforts the completion of our new church, the new Mission House and extensions to the St. Anthony's Convent were in the main due."

"Our grief at the loss of such a kind father was largely mitigated by the glad news that you had been appointed as his successor. Knowing as we do your long connection with the diocese and your intimate relationship with your predecessor we are assured of a continuity of paternal interest in our welfare, both spiritual and temporal."

"We pledge to your Lordship our filial obedience and sincerely pray that Providence may bestow His choicest blessings on you, and spare you to us for many years to guide us and minister to us with the zealousness and affection already abundantly manifest."

"The address was signed for and on behalf of the congregation of the Church of St. Joseph, Singapore, by Messrs. Simon C. de Souza, Jovita J. Pereira, Claudio A. da Silva, Matthew P. de Souza and Francis H. J. Leonard."  
 His Lordship replied first in Portuguese and then in English, thanking the congregation for their kind welcome, saying that in his next visit he would be pleased to see the congregation vastly increased.  
 The Bishop's blessing brought the ceremony to a close.  
 The Bishop had come from Goa where he went to witness and assist in the exposition of the body of St. Francis Xavier recently.

## SPORT.

### FOOTBALL.

#### HONGKONG LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE.

| Division I.  | P. | W. | L. | D. | Pts. |
|--------------|----|----|----|----|------|
| King's Regt. | 16 | 11 | 3  | 2  | 25   |
| Amoy         | 16 | 10 | 6  | 0  | 20   |
| Kowloon      | 16 | 8  | 5  | 3  | 19   |
| H'kong Club  | 16 | 7  | 7  | 2  | 16   |
| Titanica     | 14 | 6  | 5  | 3  | 15   |
| Hawkins      | 13 | 5  | 4  | 4  | 14   |
| Tamar        | 13 | 5  | 6  | 4  | 14   |
| South China  | 13 | 5  | 6  | 3  | 13   |
| R.G.A.       | 13 | 3  | 6  | 4  | 10   |
| Deacons      | 13 | 3  | 6  | 2  | 8    |
| Police       | 12 | 0  | 6  | 6  | 6    |

| Division II.   | P. | W. | L. | D. | Pts. |
|----------------|----|----|----|----|------|
| Hawkins        | 14 | 13 | 1  | 0  | 26   |
| King's Regt.   | 14 | 13 | 1  | 0  | 26   |
| South China B. | 14 | 10 | 3  | 1  | 21   |
| United         | 14 | 7  | 4  | 3  | 17   |
| St. Joseph's   | 10 | 8  | 2  | 0  | 16   |
| Titanica       | 13 | 6  | 3  | 3  | 15   |
| R.G.A.         | 14 | 6  | 5  | 3  | 14   |
| South China A. | 14 | 5  | 5  | 4  | 14   |
| Marazion       | 11 | 6  | 4  | 1  | 13   |
| University     | 11 | 5  | 4  | 2  | 12   |
| Kowloon        | 14 | 5  | 7  | 2  | 12   |
| Amoy           | 14 | 4  | 10 | 0  | 8    |
| Deacons        | 13 | 3  | 8  | 1  | 7    |
| Warders        | 14 | 3  | 11 | 0  | 6    |
| Police         | 14 | 1  | 13 | 0  | 2    |
| Auxiliaries    | 14 | 0  | 13 | 1  | 1    |

#### SHANGHAI CHINESE TEAM TO VISIT HONGKONG.

A soccer team, composed of Chinese will visit Hongkong in the near future to play against the South China team for the "All China Championship," as this latter team were the winners of the Far Eastern Championship. The challenge from the southern city was received recently, and has been accepted.

### POLO.

#### THE NAVY CUP.

The Naval and Royal Marine members of the Hongkong Polo Club have presented a very handsome cup to be played for annually by teams made up by hand-picked as evenly matched as possible. Each team will play two chukkas against each other team, and the cup is to be awarded to the team scoring most points.

The first competition will take place on Thursday, 8th, and Saturday, 10th March; play to commence each day at 4.30.

The following are the teams:—  
 "A" Team—Major-General Sir John Fowler (capt.), Lieut. Davies, Lieut. Dundas and Viscount Dunwich.  
 "B" Team—Capt. Neville (capt.), Capt. Moredith, Lieut. D'Aeth and Sgt.-Lt. Cmr. Buddie.  
 "C" Team—J. Bartholomew (capt.), Lieut. Redding, L. Nelson and Lieut. Fleming.  
 "D" Team—Capt. Fisher (capt.), J. G. Lyon, Cmr. Crocker, Midshipman Roberts.  
 "E" Team—C. C. Boyd (capt.), H. C. Macnamara, Lieut. Previtt and Surg.-Cmr. Lindop.

#### THE VARSITY BOAT RACE.

Excellent work is being accomplished by the Varsity crews which have now been selected for the boat race on March 24th.

The Oxford crews is:—  
 P. Mallam (Lancing and Queen's) bow, weight 11st. 8lbs., P. Wace (Canterbury and Brasenose), 13st. 0lb., A. Irvine (Shrewsbury and Merton), 12st. 10lbs., R. K. Kane (Harvard and Balliol), 13st. 8lbs., J. Mower White (Rugby and Brasenose), 11st. 5lbs., J. Pedder (Shrewsbury and Worcester), 13st. 5lbs., G. Nickalls (Eton and Magdalen), 13st. 5lbs., W. Bollen (Concord, U.S. and Brasenose), stroke, 10st. 11lbs., G. Clapperton (Magdalen College School and Magdalen), cox, 7st. 8lbs.

Cambridge:—W. Smith (Shrewsbury and First Trinity), bow, 11st. 11lbs., E. W. Law (St. Paul's and Lady Margaret's), 12st. 10lbs., R. Cruz (Cheltenham and Pembroke), 13st. 9lb., T. Collas (Oundle and Pembroke), 13st. 8lbs., R. Morrison (Eton and Third Trinity), 12st. 0lb., T. Sanders (Eton and Third Trinity), stroke, 11st. 11lbs., R. Balfour (Eton and Third Trinity), cox, 8st. 13lbs.

### FIEUZAL GLASSES

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## THE NEW DUTCH CONSUL-GENERAL AT HONGKONG.

### THE CAREER OF MR. M. J. QUIST.

Mr. M. J. Quist, who has been appointed Consul-General of the Netherlands for Hongkong and South China, arrived by the *Korea Maru* from Kobe where he has been acting as Consul.

Mr. Quist, says the *Japan Chronicle*, has a rather varied consular career of nearly seventeen years behind him. He began in London as a cadet attached to the Consulate-General; after two years he was attached in the same capacity to the honorary "Consul-General in Hamburg; owing to the sickness of a colleague, he had to leave for Singapore at a moment's notice after a couple of weeks in the Hansa-Stadt only; he stayed there a year and a half, returning home to study for his Vice-Consular examination. As Vice-Consul in November, 1910, he was attached to the Consulate-General in Shanghai, and three years later was transferred to Hongkong, where he served a year and a half, and then on the Consul-General's transfer to Shanghai, he remained nearly six months in charge of the Consulate-General. He proceeded to Singapore in 1916, soon went on home leave, and his promotion as consul came in January, 1917. The war making it impossible to take up the post to which he was appointed at Rio de Janeiro, he took charge of the Consulate-General in Shanghai in May 1917, the Netherlands officials were in charge of German interests, followed by taking charge of the Austro-Hungarian interests. Those were thrilling days for Mr. Quist, for China declared war on Austro-Hungary on 14th August, 1917, when Consul-General de Reus, who could not possibly go home on account of the great amount of work, was enjoying a short summer holiday in Japan. The first business in hand was the seizure of the Austrian ships, which had taken refuge in Shanghai, but the matter which drew his immediate attention was an attack on the Austro-Hungarian Consulate-General by some masked outlaws who apparently had some grievance against the Consul-General. Dr. Bernauer, formerly of Kobe, Dr. Bernauer, being in the north of China, an interpreter got nearly murdered instead, but one of the men turned on the intending murderer and shot him. The case caused a great deal of comment at the time and Mr. Quist was called upon by his own Government to give a detailed account of the affair and its sequel, as it was rumoured, that the consul had given the man who shot his confederate a chance of escape. The murderer was eventually arraigned before the Mixed Court of the International Settlement and was exonerated. Meanwhile the consul's report had arrived home, and as Mr. Quist's explanations showed that no blame could be attached to him, his own Government accepted his attitude as correct.

In the beginning of March, 1918, Mr. Quist came to Japan as Consul in Charge of the Netherlands Vice-Consulate at Yokohama. After two and a half years in Yokohama, Mr. Quist was appointed Consul at Kobe; he has been in charge of the Consulate here from November 1st, 1920. Mr. John W. Bode, the Chancellor, will be in charge till the arrival of Mr. Consul C. S. Lechner, at present in charge of the Consulate-General at Hongkong, who is due to arrive here towards the middle of April.

### CRUELTY TO PIGS.

#### NOMINAL FINE IMPOSED.

The Colonial Veterinary Surgeon (Mr. W. W. Mackenzie) was called to give expert evidence yesterday morning, before Mr. J. R. Wood in the case in which a junk master was charged at the instigation of the Water Police with cruelty to 32 pigs on board his junk.

It was stated by the police on the previous day that the pigs were found lying on their backs with their feet tied with cord which had cut deeply into the legs of the animals. They were huddled together in a small hold, 18 feet by 9 feet in size.

Mr. Mackenzie said the pigs should never have been carried in this manner. The animals would experience difficulty in breathing on their backs. The proper way to carry them would be to place them in crates and to have stacked the crates two feet high.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$10.

## STRIKE OF THE CANTON TELEGRAPH STAFF.

A QUANT OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION.  
 The staff of the City Office of the Canton Telegraph Administration has gone on strike, and the following official notification has been issued from the Shamshien office:—

### CIRCULAR.

The Chinese Telegraphs, Shamshien, 3rd March, 1923.  
 By the telegraphic information from our City Office at Canton that Mr. Wong Shue, the present District Director of Telegraphs in Kwangtung, is doing on quite alright and in popularity to all telegraph staffs, but now without any reason replaced a non-telegraph man, Mr. Li Chang Tat, be his successor by the Generalissimo. All telegraph staffs in the said office run away for strike.

Staffs of the City Office are all belonging to the same Union, they are all there by running away for strike too.

C. CHU, Manager, Chinese Telegraph Office, Shamshien.

## QUARRY BAY AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.

### LAST NIGHT'S PRODUCTION AT TAIKOO.

#### "A TIGHT CORNER."

[A FARCICAL COMEDY IN THREE ACTS BY HERBERT SWAENS.]

Jack Hyacinth, Mr. A. Morrison, Samson Quayle, Mr. G. McLeod, Barrington Skews, Mr. W. Robertson, Clara, Mrs. G. McLeod, Mrs. Pertwee, Mrs. G. Gerrard, O.B.E.

Mrs. Hyacinth, Miss Hansen, The Auctioneer, Messrs. E. Moore, Men from Denton's, and J. Gardiner.  
 With the intention of brightening up the social life of the small European community at Taikoo and Quarry Bay an Amateur Dramatic Club has been recently formed by the residents there. The Club is as yet in its infancy and it cannot, of course, be expected to emulate the successful achievements of the Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club, but judging from their performance last night at the Taikoo Club, before a crowded house one can conceive of no reason why the amateur dramatists at Quarry Bay should not have a long and successful career. Mr. W. Robertson has been one of the main movers, if not the principal one, in organising the Club, and much of the credit of last night's production is due to his efforts as producer.

The Club chose for presentation as their first effort, a farcical comedy with a simple plot, involving the love affairs of a married couple of the name of Mr. and Mrs. Hyacinth, and two outsiders—Mrs. Pertwee and a certain young man about town of the name of Barrington Skews, but whilst the outline of the story is simple enough, it is one of those pieces which falls flat unless the various comical situations which arise are successfully presented.

The comedy was first produced at the Theatre Royal, Portsmouth in 1906 and it enjoyed quite a good run in the provinces at Home, Miss Marie Lohr, undertaking the role of Mrs. Pertwee. The scene of the story is laid in the drawing room of the Hyacinths' flat in Mount Street, Berkeley Square. Mrs. Hyacinth is engaged in a mild flirtation with Barrington Skews, a young man about town. Her husband does not object to their meeting until his friend, Samson Quayle, suggests that, even though the companionship of his wife with young Skews may be quite all right, it does not look well in the eyes of Society. The two men plot together to break up this intimacy. Mr. Hyacinth leaves an open letter on the table for his wife to see. It is addressed to a Mrs. Pertwee, a neighbour of theirs, and it asks this lady to meet him at their flat during the absence of Mrs. Hyacinth, intending that his wife should see the note and that afterwards it should be destroyed. His wife sees the note and also sees through the plot and sends the letter off. Amusing complications arise and in the end the awkward situation is cleared up to the satisfaction of all parties and Mrs. Hyacinth is reunited to her husband.

The stage setting of the piece was quite good, especially so, when one thinks of the many inconveniences encountered in producing a play in a hall which does not lend itself to that type of performance. The drawing room scene was staged in pale pink and blue colours and the general effect blended well with the fine evening gowns worn by the ladies. The scenery was designed by Mr. J. Simpson, the designer of the baronial hall at the St. Andrew's Ball, this year.

Of the cast Mrs. Gerrard is to be congratulated on her interpretation of the part of Mrs. Pertwee. She played the part to an nicety and her acting of the passionate woman in love with Mr. Hyacinth was received with much applause. Mrs. Gerrard has just recently been under a serious operation and her attendance at the rehearsals did not commence until about a week ago, which makes her acting of the role all the more creditable. Miss Hansen, as Mrs. Hyacinth, and Mr. A. Morrison as Mr. Hyacinth, played heavy roles with success, whilst Mr. McLeod as Samson Quayle, the logical solicitor, was highly amusing.

The Club is indebted to the following for valuable assistance and for properties lent: Mr. H. Darroport Brown, Mr. W. Sinclair, Messrs. W. Powell, Ltd., Mr. T. Grimshaw, Mrs. G. Morrison, Mr. F. Souter, Mr. J. W. Hill, Mrs. J. Hansen and Mr. T. Swan.



## THE SWATOW TYPHOON.

## RELIEF COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

## HOW THE HONGKONG RELIEF FUNDS WERE EXPENDED.

The Typhoon Relief Committee, appointed by the Swatow British Chamber of Commerce, at the request of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce, for the purpose of administering the fund raised by the Hong Kong Chamber for the relief of sufferers in the recent Swatow typhoon, has presented its first report on the work to the Hong Kong Chamber. The report deals with the committee's activities up to December 31st, 1922. It states that the total amount put at the Committee's disposal was \$82,052.10. Of this sum \$9,750 was spent on office expenses, \$14,505.35 on 13,000 bags of rice shipped to the Committee, and \$835.45 on four cases of medical supplies. This left an available balance of \$67,731.02.

The report goes on to state that in addition to the sum raised by the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce, they had donations from other sources, totaling \$15,362.28.

Immediately after the disaster the Hong Kong Government voted the sum of \$20,000, and expended \$10,022.56, on which was forwarded by them to the British Consul at Swatow for distribution. Subsequently they voted another \$20,000 and left this sum and the balance of the previous \$20,000 at the Committee's disposal. Out of the \$20,000.74 allotted to the Committee by the Hong Kong Government the details attached to the report covers the expenditure of \$24,000 up to the 31st December, 1922.

## THE SCHEME OF RELIEF.

A thorough survey of the devastated areas had been taken by the Rev. A. C. Gamble and the Rev. H. F. Wallace with the assistance of the English Presbyterian Mission and the village Elders. They visited thirteen towns and villages from Mang Kaw to Ng Kong, and the majority were found to be in the same condition as they were immediately after the typhoon. Under the supervision of these two gentlemen a clearing out was made, blocked roads were opened up, and cleaned, all manner of filth was carried away and burned, infected waters were run off, bridges were re-built, whilst in addition a number of dead bodies were buried, and dead animals disposed of. All able-bodied men between the ages of 20 and 50 were employed for this work, and a wage of 30 cents and four quarts of rice was given per man per twelve hour working day. For the most part the headmen of the villages rendered every assistance they possibly could, and no attempts were made to obtain more relief than each village really deserved. The work was carried on personally by the Rev. A. C. Gamble and the Rev. H. F. Wallace and Mr. T. G. Gibson. They had to work under the most distasteful conditions, surrounded by squalor and degradation.

## ACTUAL WANT QUICKLY RELIEVED.

The actual want, the report continued, was very quickly relieved, and accordingly it was decided to discontinue as far as possible the part payment of rice in lieu of wages, in order to do away with the transportation of the rice. An inclusive wage of 60 cents was paid, and the question then arose as to the disposal of the balance of 300 bags of rice left over. The need for free distribution had passed, and even had it been offered them, there were very few of the villagers who would take it, unless they were absolutely starving. This attitude of the people where charity was concerned was noticeable throughout. The balance of the stock was eventually sold slightly under market price, and the action was greatly appreciated by the people.

In addition to this Committee it was found that there were a number of other committees appointed by various organizations for the distribution of relief, and that a good deal of over-lapping was liable to occur. A general meeting was held of representatives from the various relief committees, and a district was given to the Chamber of Commerce Committee-lying within the Jiau-pheng Prefecture, although it was only the seaboard within this area that was seriously affected by the typhoon. The area consisted mostly of small towns and villages on the coast where an enormous amount of damage had been done through the demolition of dykes and sea-walls, which had been built to prevent the inundation by the sea of cultivated land. The Committee felt that unless reconstructive work were undertaken in this direction, and the people placed upon their feet and enabled to take up their

old means of earning a living, a good deal of individual suffering was bound to continue. Accordingly the sum of \$28,259.84 was spent on the work.

At a number of the fishing villages within the area also, it was found necessary to replace a large number of fishing junks, and other boats that had been destroyed in the typhoon. This work cost another \$13,733.30, and 191 boats were re-built. Of the sum \$8,023 was loaned.

## REPAIRS TO DWELLINGS.

It was found impossible to undertake the general reconstruction of houses. It was, however, very necessary to give some assistance in order to carry out some repairs to dwellings that remained in a more or less habitable condition. For the purpose of providing lime and roof tiles only, \$18 per house was allotted, and 22,270 old tiles, which were found to be very useful for roofing purposes, were very kindly given by the Standard Oil Company. Altogether about \$20,770 was spent on the building and rebuilding of 1,175 houses in 18 villages.

## MEDICAL WORK.

Dr. Wright had charge of the medical assistance. A dispensing and dressing station was opened at Gua Sui in the midst of the worst devastated region. This was placed in charge of a salaried staff consisting of Dr. Kuan, assisted by Dr. Lim, both of whom had been trained in the E. P. Mission Hospital, in addition to 10 men of the staff. Several students from the Swatow Mission Hospital and a number of the members of the Boys' Brigade gave their services voluntarily for part of the time during which the work was carried on. The report pays a tribute to the marked ability and devotion with which Dr. Kuan and those associated with him carried out their duties. Medical cases largely outnumbered the surgical. Of the medical cases the majority were bowel complaints due to drinking bad water and eating unsuitable food. Fevers and chest troubles from damp and exposure were also common and the very prevalent epidemic of dengue fever which raged all over the region during the summer and autumn, attacked many. The following is a list of patients treated:—

|                     |       |
|---------------------|-------|
| In-patients .....   | 976   |
| Out-patients .....  | 1,534 |
| Return visits ..... | 825   |
| Total .....         | 3,335 |

## HELP FOR THE FARMERS.

So far as the farmers were concerned, the typhoon occurred at a fortunate time in the interval between harvesting of the first and sowing of the second crop, but when this had been reaped in October, November, difficulties were met owing to the scarcity of buffaloes, due to a great number having been drowned in the typhoon. Funds were provided for the purchase of buffaloes, implements, etc., part of the cost to be refunded by the farmers. It was largely due to these provisions that a spring harvest was made possible, which of itself would do much to improve conditions throughout the area. 175 buffaloes were bought at a cost of \$7,123, of which \$3,429 was lent.

## PROVIDING CLOTHING AND BEDDING.

The essential work of providing clothing and bedding, chiefly for women and children, was undertaken by Miss Brander of the E. P. Mission. Articles of clothing distributed amounted to 15,750, articles of bedding, 1,200, sundries, such as rice bags, personal and household necessities 250, making a total of 17,200. These were distributed to 7,500 people in 60 villages. Quilts and cloth were also distributed in sixteen other villages.

## DESTITUTE CHILDREN.

The report proceeds: On making careful investigation of the whole district it was found that there was a large number of children left entirely destitute. Many of these had lost both parents in the typhoon; others, although perhaps one parent may still be alive, owing to the largeness of the family and the loss of all means of support, were in a pitiful condition. It was felt, therefore, that some permanent form of relief for such children should be attempted. A piece of land adjoining the Church at Yam Tsau was prepared for the putting up of an Orphanage building, and for this a sum of \$6,000 was allotted by the Committee. For the running expenses of this institution it was decided to allot the money to be refunded on the construction of boats and the purchasing of buffaloes account. Subsequently a further sum of \$15,000 was allotted for the furnishing and for other possible expenses before these loans could be repaid. This sum will be placed in the hands of Trustees (Continued at foot of next column.)

## AFFAIRS AT CANTON.

While Dr. Sun Yat Sun has been busily employed since his return to Canton in reorganising the Government of the city and the province generally, it does not appear that effective control has yet been established over the military elements. A good deal continues to be heard of encounters between rival military factions and the latest is a conflict between military and naval land forces at Dutch Folly and Whampoa.

## GENERAL CHEN'S VILLAGE BURNED DOWN.

General Chen Chiung Ming's native village (Haifung) is reported to have been attacked and plundered by so-called "citizen soldiers," who concluded their depredations by burning down the greater part of the village. General Chen's house was, of course, among those looted.

## HONGKONG "ADVISERS" OF THE GOVERNMENT.

A mandate has been issued by Dr. Sun Yat Sun appointing a number of "advisers," including many prominent Chinese residents of Hongkong. The list includes the names of the two Unofficial Members of the Legislative Council (the Hon. Mr. Chow Shou Son and the Hon. Mr. Ng Hon Tze) Sir Robert Ho Tung, Mr. Ho Fook, Mr. Ho Kwong, Mr. Ho Tai Sang, Mr. Fung Ping Shan (Chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce), Mr. Li Po Kwai and Mr. Yip Lan Chuen.

electd by the Swatow British Chamber of Commerce and one representative of the E. P. Mission. These gentlemen having accepted office have arranged for the appointment of a Board of Management, largely consisting of influential and reliable Chinese on the spot, together with three members of the E. P. Mission who will undertake supervision. The building is now in course of erection and will be completed early in the spring. In the meantime orphans are being received and supported in the Church Buildings at Yam Tsau. It is not possible at present to say exactly how many children can be admitted to the Orphanage when built. The plan at present is to provide for about 100 children, of both sexes, which is the maximum number could be provided for with the funds at our disposal. This number probably covers all the bona-fide typhoon orphans in our district only, for it should be borne in mind that in many instances where parents lost their lives, their child also died. It is hoped that other relief organizations will make similar provision for orphans in other districts.

## WHOLESALE SELLING OF CHILDREN.

The work is imperative; however, on account of the wholesale selling of children that is going on, due to the extreme poverty of their parents. In the Gua Sui district a child can now be bought for two or three dollars.

The sum available for this work, to be invested in the Board of Trustees, will be about \$21,000 and capital expenditure for building and equipment will amount to approximately \$9,000, leaving \$12,000 for income. The loans from boats and buffaloes (approximately \$12,300) will also be available, as repaid. The estimated cost of maintenance is \$500 a month. The Orphanage will provide educational facilities and a training in handicraft, the purpose being to enable the orphans when they reach the age of 13 or 14 to earn an adequate livelihood. As the children rendered orphans by the typhoon gradually leave, it is probable that other destitute children will be received and it is hoped that from this beginning, made necessary by the recent disaster, some permanent form of institutional work amongst destitute children will be established.

## DESTITUTE WOMEN.

Provision has also been made for giving assistance or relief to destitute women. The Chinese Relief Committee have a plan for the erection of a large industrial school in Swatow for both men and women.

In conclusion the Committee give an assurance that in no case has money been spent without full value being received. A tribute is paid to the work of the Rev. Mr. Gow and Mr. C. T. Lim, who had given their services entirely voluntarily. As recognition of their work the Committee decided to purchase in Hongkong a gold watch for each of them. Reference is also made to the splendid services of the Rev. A. Guthrie Gamble and H. F. Wallace and to many others who kindly assisted in relief work. A complete statement of accounts was attached to the report.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## EDUCATION OF BRITISH CHILDREN IN HONGKONG.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—As the Chairman of the meeting to be held to-day at 5.30 p.m. at the City Hall for the consideration of the above important subject, it has become evident to me, as the result of a full consideration of the matter with some of those interested, that it is essential to an orderly discussion of the above subject, and in order to arrive at some definite recommendations to lay before the Government, that certain resolutions should be brought before the meeting.

With the above end in view, I beg leave to submit the following resolutions (without prejudice to any others which anybody at the meeting may desire to bring forward):—

1.—That kindergarten schools for children between the ages of 3 and 9 years be established on the most modern methods, with specially trained kindergarten teachers in charge, at the Peak, Kowloon, Quarry Bay and Causeway Bay.

(All the following resolutions relate exclusively to children over the age of 9):—

2.—That it is essential that British boys and girls above the age of 9 should receive a better education in this Colony than at present.

3.—That such education should be of a sound and practical character, which will fit such boys and girls to occupy useful positions when they grow up.

4.—That, in order to avoid duplication of the teaching staff, a school for the co-education of boys and girls be established.

5.—That, for the purpose of subjecting them to the necessary training and discipline, it is desirable that the boys should be boarders and not day boys.

6.—That the staff at such school should, as regards teaching qualifications, approximate so far as possible to the present staff of Queen's College, and that continuity of staff, especially of the seniors, should be secured.

7.—That it is essential, in order to make such a school as is suggested a success, that parents should earnestly co-operate with the staff of the school in:

(1) Maintaining strict discipline over the boys and girls; and

(2) In securing the regular attendance of the boys and girls at school.

8.—That adequate playing grounds should be attached to the school and that the playing of games should be compulsory for boys.

Hoping that the above suggested resolutions, which are based to a considerable extent on the recommendations in the recent report of the Sub-Committee on Education, may, if they meet with support at to-morrow's meeting, be the means of inducing the Government to improve the education of British children in this Colony.—I am, Yours faithfully, H. E. POLLOCK.

P.S.—May I most strongly urge parents, and all those who are interested in education, to attend the above meeting. The best proof which they can give to the Government that they are in earnest on this question is by coming in large numbers. Permission has been given by the Government to Government servants to attend and speak at the meeting, and it is hoped that they will take full advantage of such permission, as it is desired that the meeting should be as representative as possible.

## ALLEGED THEFT OF OPIUM FROM GOVT. FACTORY.

## INDIAN CONSTABLE AND OFFICE COOLIE CHARGED.

Arising out of an alleged theft of a ball of raw opium worth about \$98, from the Government opium factory at Wan-chai, an Indian constable, named Bhagat Singh, and an office coolie, named Au Young Kang, were charged before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy, yesterday morning with the theft.

The theft is alleged to have taken place between 12 noon and 1 p.m. on the 5th inst. One of the balls of opium was found to be missing and Revenue Officer Marks was informed of the affair. He immediately informed the police and in the subsequent investigations the coolie charged the Indian with the theft, and the constable in turn charged the coolie. The opium was found underneath a staircase, close to where the Chinese was working. He alleges that the Indian placed it there.

On the suggestion of Sub-Inspector Cooke the case was remanded until to-morrow morning.

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Hongkong, 8th March, 1923. [511]

## NOTICE

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VILLA BROS. OF CANTON, LTD.  
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## H.M.S. HAWKINS' DANCE

CARS bringing Guests TO-NIGHT to Dance aboard H.M.S. Hawkins should enter the Dockyard by the PRINCE OF WALES' Gate opposite H.K.C.C. Ground, and leave by the Main Gate.  
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## THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO. LTD.

## THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMATION CO. LTD.

MR. LESLIE SOLBE GREENHILL (has THIS DAY been appointed Acting Secretary to the above Companies vice Mr. MOWBRAY STAFFORD NORTHCOTE resigned. Pending Mr. GREENHILL's return to the Colony Mr. HERBERT AUSTIN RODGERS will act as Secretary.  
By Order of the Board of Directors,  
D. G. M. BERNARD,  
Chairman.  
Hongkong, 7th March, 1923. [510]

## THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO. LTD.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTY-FOURTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the Secretary to the above Companies vice Mr. MOWBRAY STAFFORD NORTHCOTE resigned, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1922.  
The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 15th to the 27th March 1923, both days inclusive.  
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,  
General Managers.  
HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.  
Hongkong, 8th March, 1923. [508]

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## SIRUTHERS &amp; BARRY.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From SAN FRANCISCO & LOS ANGELES via JAPAN PORTS & SHANGHAI.

## THE Steamship

"ELKIDGE" having arrived from above-mentioned ports, Wednesday, March 14th, 1923, Consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk.

Consignees of Cargo must produce an import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports & Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned or Delivery Orders issued.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns where it will be examined at 9 A.M., Monday, March 19th, 1923, by Messrs. ANDERSON & ASH, Marine Surveyors.

All Claims must be presented within 10 days of the steamer's arrival, after which they will be refused. No Claims will be received after the goods have left the godowns, and cargo undelivered after Mar. 19th, 1923, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading in exchange for Delivery Orders immediately.

SIRUTHERS & BARRY,  
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Hongkong, 7th March, 1923. [512]

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## PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 19th day of March, 1923, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the GOVERNOR of one Lot of CROWN LAND at Causeway Bay in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

| Boundary Measurements.                                                                  | Area.          | Annual Rental. | Upset Price. |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| Lot No. 2113, at Causeway Bay, Hongkong, containing 10,712 sq. ft. or about 0.245 acre. | 10,712 sq. ft. | \$8,410        | \$24,440 7/6 |

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 19th day of March, 1923, at 8 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the GOVERNOR of one Lot of CROWN LAND at Lo Lung Hang Valley in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

| Boundary Measurements.                                                                         | Area.          | Annual Rental. | Upset Price. |
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JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.  
Hongkong, 23rd February, 1923. [438]

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THE JARDINE ENGINEERING CORPORATION, LTD.  
Hongkong, 23rd February, 1923. [439]

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The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Tuesday, the 6th day of March, to Tuesday, the 13th day of March, 1923, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.  
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 28th February, 1923. [465]

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By Order of the Board of Directors,  
W. E. ROBERTS,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 5th March, 1923. [492]

## R. A. ATHLETIC MEETING.

22ND AND 23RD MARCH, 1923.

## U.S.R.C. GROUND, KOWLOON.

AT the above Meeting there will be a MILE RACE open to the Services, and all British Residents in the Colony.  
The Race is timed for 3.30 P.M., on the 23rd instant.  
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## OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE

THERE will be a UNIVERSITY DINNER on BOAT RACE DAY, SATURDAY, MARCH 31st.  
Particulars will be sent to those who were present at the Dinner last year.  
Will all other Members of the above Universities who wish to attend, please send their Names to  
J. E. WARNER,  
Hon. Secretary,  
OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE SOCIETY,  
St. Stephen's College, Bonham Road.  
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## BETTER EDUCATION FOR BRITISH CHILDREN IN HONGKONG.

## A PUBLIC MEETING

will be held in

THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ROOM,

CITY HALL

THURSDAY, MARCH 8th, 1923, at

5.30 P.M. sharp.

To discuss

THE BETTER EDUCATION OF

BRITISH CHILDREN IN HONGKONG.

The Chair will be taken by

Hon. Mr. H. E. POLLOCK, I.C.

Supported by

Hon. Mr. P. H. HONOLAN, Hon. Mr. E. V. D.

PARR, Mr. H. W. BIRD, Mr. MONTAGUE EDM.

Mr. A. O. LANG, Mr. A. E. LOWE.

The Meeting will be addressed by

Mr. N. THESDALE MACKINTOSH, M.A.

This subject is of great importance and all

Parents and others interested are earnestly

requested to attend.  
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## HONGKONG DOG, CAT, POULTRY AND PIGEON SHOW.

By kind permission of the Officer Commanding The Hongkong Defence Corps, a Show will be held at

THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE CORPS

on SATURDAY, 10th MARCH, 1923,

from 8 to 6 P.M.

Besides the usual classes for Dogs, there will be classes for Puppies from 6 to 12 months old, for a litter of Puppies under 3 months old on the date of the Show, and for cross-bred Dogs.

Entry Forms may be had from the Undersecretary.

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## INTIMATION

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## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MARCH 28, 1923.

## EXTRATERRITORIALITY IN CHINA.

It has occasioned no surprise that the Ministry of Justice at Peking should have asked the Foreign Office to request the International Commission of Jurists to postpone its coming until the autumn of 1924. We are not aware that such a Commission has even yet been formed, though the resolution of the Washington Conference provided that the Commission should be constituted within three months after the adjournment of the Conference, and be instructed to submit its report and recommendations within a year after the Commission's first meeting. More than twelve months have elapsed since that resolution was adopted, but if the Ministry of Justice at Peking finds itself prepared to welcome such a Commission in the autumn of 1924, the date it has now suggested for their visit, we and all foreign residents in China will be most agreeably surprised. This Commission of Jurists, to which each Power interested is to appoint a member, is "to inquire into the present practice of extra-territorial jurisdiction in China, and into the laws, the judicial system and methods of judicial administration, with a view to reporting findings of fact, with recommendations regarding the means to improve the existing conditions of administration of justice in China, and to assist the efforts of the Chinese Government to effect such legislation and judicial reforms as will warrant the Powers in relinquishing, progressively or otherwise, their rights of extra-territoriality." China formally expressed at the Conference her satisfaction with the sympathy of the Powers in regard to the abolition of extra-territoriality and declared her intention to appoint a Chinese member of the Commission, it being understood that China would be

free to accept or reject any or all of the recommendations of the Commission. China, it was declared, was prepared to co-operate in the work of the Commission and, in every way, to facilitate the successful accomplishment of its task. Reading these resolutions in the light of the chaotic conditions prevailing in the country one is irresistibly led to ask what is meant by "China" in this sense? The Chinese Government at Peking is powerless—a mere puppet in the hands of the Military, who certainly cannot be said to interest themselves greatly in the judicial system and the methods of judicial administration. The Ministry of Justice, in a circular telegram to the provincial authorities, says that "owing to the unsettled state of the country it fears that necessary judicial reforms cannot be carried out speedily." In the circumstances all it can do is to emphasise "the momentous nature of the decisions which the Commission will have to take," and urge the judicial authorities to "make all possible reforms throughout the country." Years ago the Chinese Government took steps to codify the laws of the country, and to introduce reforms in her judicial procedure, but the most cursory inquiry by an International Commission of Jurists would convince them that China has yet to learn the A.B.C. of the administration of justice, and that a long time must necessarily elapse before China is able to give effect to such legislation and judicial reforms as will warrant the Powers in relinquishing "progressively or otherwise" their rights of extra-territoriality. Before a Chinese Government can invite to the country an International Commission of Jurists to investigate these questions, which lie at the root of all sound government, it is obvious that it must give some proof that it is able to govern. Until that is done it is impossible for it to give any guarantees that any recommendations which the Commission makes would be carried into effect. China in recovering the territory of Tsingtao had a great opportunity of proving her capacity to govern in a manner which would earn the approval and commendation of the foreign residents of the territory, and of the outside world which is looking for some proof of the efficiency of the administration in China on which the claims made by the Chinese delegates at Washington were founded. But China has disappointed all expectations in this connection, and the conditions prevailing in the territory as they have recently been reported in the Press can serve but to increase misgivings as regards the future of Weihaiwei, and supply the most convincing proof that the time is yet remote when the abolition of extra-territoriality in China can be seriously considered.

There were three Chinese cases of small-pox in the Colony on Tuesday. Geoffrey Lamont, youngest son of Mr. G. P. Lamont, playing for his school (All Saints Honiton) in a cricket match against Old Honitonians, carried his bat for 165. He was in great form, says the school magazine, and his success was particularly gratifying as it was his last School game.

A death inquiry is to be opened on Friday afternoon at the Magistracy into the circumstances surrounding the recent tragic death of the late Mr. M. A. Hancock, a young Revenue Officer, who was found dead in his bathroom at No. 44, Armand Buildings, Kowloon, on February 11th.

The influx of Chinese into Fiji is alarming Europeans. Bitterness has been developing for nearly two years, and no reply has yet been received from the Home Authorities in response to the Chinese poll tax proposal, which was unanimously favoured by a large meeting of the white residents.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Winslow were given a great "send off" by the railway staff at Kowloon yesterday who expressed their good wishes in the usual Chinese manner by the explosion of many strings of crackers as Mr. and Mrs. Winslow arrived in a motor-car to embark from the neighbouring pier.

Up to date 95 entries have been received for the exhibition of dogs at the Cat and Dog Show to be held on Saturday next at the Headquarters of the Hongkong Defence Corps. Seven entries have been received for the feline section. There is to be no poultry section this year owing to the fact that the entries were so few.

Passengers who left by the *Morea* yesterday included the following from Hongkong: The Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, O.M.G. and Mrs. Severn, Mr. M. S. Northcote, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Winslow, Mrs. N. L. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Underwood, Dr. and Mrs. Sanders, Mrs. Champken, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Leask, Mr. E. B. Reed, Capt. Douglas, Mrs. Lang, Mr. A. Monteiro, Mr. V. Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. D. Young, Mr. Duncan Campbell, Inspector E. Brown, Inspector S. J. Burchill, Mr. and Mrs. Blackman, Mr. and Mrs. Shafstain.

## THE PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

## CONCERT AT THE THEATRE ROYAL.

In view of the recent controversy as to whether Hongkong people can or cannot appreciate good music, the large number who attended the Theatre Royal last night on the occasion of a concert given by the Hongkong Philharmonic Society, proved rather enlightening, and would seem to show that the accusation levelled against our public may not be altogether justified. The music was all of a classical order, and with the exception of the inevitable few who had come "because it's the thing, you know," the audience appeared to enjoy the entertainment thoroughly. The strong chorus, under the conductorship of Mr. T. P. M. Bevan, was well chosen and well balanced, and the blending of the voices seemed to have been worked out with some degree of attention to the finer points, so often neglected when an amateur chorus of this sort is created.

The evening was opened with the rendering by the chorus and orchestra of R. S. Hawker's, "The Song of the Western Men." The piece was sung heartily and with the enthusiasm demanded, though some of the ladies seemed to find the pitch rather too high, with the result that a slightly strained effect was obtained. A duet followed, by Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Collett, and they interpreted Teichmayer's fine composition "The Voyagers," with true feeling. They also rendered Shakespeare's immortal lyric, "It was a lover and his lass." The expression they introduced into this duet had the effect of taking the more imaginative of their listeners back to the sweet smiling countryside of old England in the springtime, with its budding trees and smiling flowers. One of the most enjoyable items of the evening was a pianoforte solo by Mr. Eric Rice. His is the skill of the born musician, and in a "pot pourri" of flower songs he drew from his instrument the most haunting melody. Another item which was greatly appreciated was a duet from the Beggar's Opera by Miss Joan Lawson and Engineer Commander J. N. Hocken, R. N. The duet was taken from the farewell scene between Polly and MacHeath. "O ponder well, be not severe," Miss Lawson possesses a remarkably sweet soprano voice, and there was hardly a flaw in her rendering of the piece. Engineer Commander Hocken's interpretation was enjoyable, though not brilliant. Other chorus renderings were Dudley Buck's "Hymn to music," "Old Neptune," and the "Bay of Biscay," the ballad "Tubal Cain," and Shakespeare's "Full fathom five," and "To Sylvia."

The whole evening was a great success, and one might hope that this is not the last entertainment of the sort with which we in Hongkong are to be favoured.

## PROBLEM OF CHEAPER POSTAGE.

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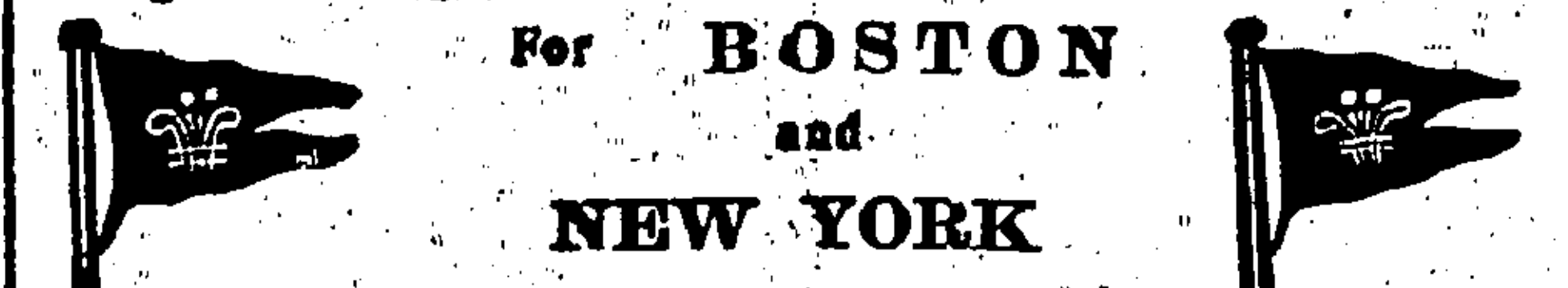
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